Mountain Weather Forecast

South Grampian and Southeast Highlands

Including South and East Cairngorms National Park, Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills, Ben Vrackie, Ben Lawers, Loch Tay and Ochils
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 20 Nov 2021 until 23:59 on Sunday 21 Nov 2021

Forecast Issued on Friday 19 Nov 2021 at 14:25 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for transition to colder, brighter weather during Saturday, continuing on Sunday with snow showers in north of area. Also high confidence for mainly dry less cold weather on Monday and Tuesday.

Headline for Saturday 20 Nov 2021: Cloudy with rain during morning. Sunshine and showers in afternoon turning increasingly wintry. Feeling bitterly cold on the tops.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 20 Nov 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Medium Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Cloudy	Light rain	Light rain	Sunny intervals	Sleet showers	Light snow showers (night)	Heavy snow showers (night)
Precipitation probability							
10%	20%	50%	90%	20%	30%	40%	40%

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Weather: Rain later in the night, clearing southwards during Saturday morning. Rain turning to snow above 900m before dying out. Then a much brighter afternoon with sunshine and showers following, mainly to eastern Cairngorms and Aberdeenshire hills. Showers turning to snow above about 700m and becoming more frequent, heavier in the evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Little chance for much of morning, improving 60% in afternoon, best in south of area.

Visibility: Poor for a time in the morning with rain and clouds well down the hills. Visibility improving good from the north late in the morning with clouds lifting and breaking up. There will be marked deteriorations to very poor visibility in north of area during afternoon and evening as wintry showers pass by and clouds lowering to 600m.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	41/51 SW	37/47 SW	43/54 SW	31/40 W	29/39 W	31/41 W	31/41 W	31/42 NW	26/37 NW
900	31/42 SW	28/39 SW	30/41 SW	23/32 W	22/31 W	23/33 W	22/33 W	23/34 NW	18/29 NW
600	24/40 SW	21/36 SW	21/37 SW	16/29 W	14/26 W	16/29 W	15/28 W	16/29 W	12/25 NW
300	15/32 SW	14/29 SW	14/29 SW	10/22 W	11/23 W	11/24 W	13/28 NW	14/30 NW	13/29 NW
Glen	14/29 SW	13/27 SW	13/27 SW	10/21 W	12/24 W	11/24 W	12/25 W	13/27 NW	12/27 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	3/-4	2/-5	2/-6	3/-4	0/-7	-1/-10	-2/-11	-3/-12	-3/-11
900	5/-1	5/-2	4/-2	5/-1	3/-3	1/-6	-0/-7	-1/-8	-1/-8
600	7/2	6/2	6/1	7/3	5/1	3/-2	2/-3	1/-4	1/-4
300	10/7	9/6	9/6	9/6	8/5	6/3	5/1	4/-1	4/-1
Glen	11/8	10/7	10/7	9/7	9/6	7/4	5/2	5/1	4/0
Freezing Level*	2200m	2000m	2000m	1600m	1100m	900m	800m	800m	700m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Difficult walking conditions with strong winds and temperatures falling close to or even below freezing. Conditions exacerbated by the wet weather in the morning followed by wintry showers.

Forecast for Sunday 21 Nov 2021

Weather: A much drier, brighter but cold day across all ranges. Still some showers during morning in north of area, falling as snow down to 400m, gradually dying out. Otherwise dry with sunny spells.

Maximum wind: Northerly winds with average speeds of 25 to 30mph and gusts 40mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 50% in north of area, 90% in southwest.

Visibility: Air will have great clarity resulting in excellent visibility with patchy cloud cover about 700m. There will be brief interruptions to very poor visibility as snow showers pass by, with cloud bases lowering to 600m.

Temperature: **Glens:** Zero Celsius rising briefly to 7 Celsius before falling again towards dusk.
At 800m: Minus 3 Celsius rising to Plus 1 Celsius.
Freezing level: 500m lifting to 900m in the afternoon.

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